

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s): YAMAGUCHI, et al.
Serial No.: 09/698,274
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For: SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE, METHOD OF MAKING
THE SAME AND LIQUID CRYSTAL DISPLAY DEVICE
Group: 2826
Examiner: F. Abraham

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REQUEST FOR CLARIFICATION AND
FOR COMPLETE OFFICE ACTION

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

March 27, 2002

Sir:

The Office Action mailed March 14, 2002, in connection with the above-identified application, is noted. This Office Action mailed March 14, 2002, as received in the offices of the undersigned, included a cover page, pages numbered 2 and 3 and entitled "RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT" on page 2, and a last page which is a letter to "Dear United States Patent and Trademark Office Customer", indicating that "[q]uality and customer satisfaction are important to Technology Center 2800". However, this Office Action mailed March 14, 2002 does not include a summary page; and, in particular, does not

indicate a period for response to this Office Action. Accordingly, it is respectfully submitted that this Office Action mailed March 14, 2002, is incomplete.

Moreover, this Office Action mailed March 14, 2002, includes claim 26 in both the Group I and Group II claims, and also does not refer to claims 31-34; and thus the Office Action mailed March 14, 2002 requires clarification and requires completion in connection with claims 26 and 31-34.

It is respectfully requested that the Examiner issue a new, complete Office Action, including a summary page which indicates the period for response, and providing clarification/completion as to the grouping of claims 26 and 31-34; and, moreover, that a new period for response be set, to begin from the date of mailing of the complete Office Action.

Favorable action by the Examiner in connection with this Request is respectfully solicited.

To the extent necessary, Applicants petition for an extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the

filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to the Deposit Account No.
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Respectfully submitted,

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